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In re Application of :  
Anthony L. Toivonen :  
Application No. 09/430,691 : DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF  
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Papers filed on 16 January, 2001 (certificate of mailing date 10 January, 2001), in reply to "Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(b)" mailed on 14 November, 2000, included a Declaration signed by the previously nonsigning inventor, Anthony L. Toivonen, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(b) is moot; this application does not have any rule 1.47(b) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this office for any further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(b).

This application will be forwarded to Technology Center 2700 for examination in due course.

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